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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	09/654,987
Filing Date	September 5, 2000
First Named Inventor	Flanagan
Art Unit	1733
Examiner Name	Sam Chaun Cua Yao
Attorney Docket Number	S63,2-8765

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on December 12, 2002  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 22-0350
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 01/22/2003 SDNEOB1.00000110 05654987
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 750.00 OP
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 110.00 & \$750.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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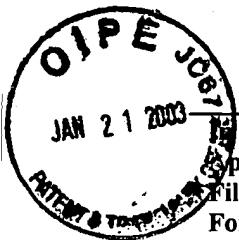
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

File Application of: Aiden Flanagan  
Application No.: 09/654987  
Filed: September 5, 2000  
For: Method of Applying a Laser Beam Around the Circumference  
of a Catheter  
Examiner: Sam Chaun Cu Yao  
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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. In regard to the above-identified application, we are submitting the attached:  
**1 page Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal; 1 page Petition for an Extension of Time Under 37 CFR §1.136; \$110.00 check; \$750.00 check; VAS Transmittal Letter; and Postcard.**
2. With respect to fees:  
☐ No additional fee is required.  
☒ Attached is check(s) in the amount of \$110.00 and \$750.00  
☐ Charge additional fee to our Deposit Account No. 22-0350.
3. **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time or for a petition and fee for any other matter petitionable to the Commissioner as required. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, by petitioner, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.
4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, if any additional fees associated with this communication are required and have not otherwise been paid, including any fee associated with the Conditional Petition for Extension of Time, or any request in the accompanying papers for action which requires a fee as a petition to the Commissioner, please charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0350. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,

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